MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Orientation

If you have not gone through orientation, please join us at 400 N. Jefferson Davis Parkway from 9:00-10:30 AM on January 10th

Ebola Training

We will conduct our third Ebola training that will cover the basics of Ebola, temperature monitoring, call center operations and door to door outreach on January 10th from 10:30-12 PM

Mardi Gras First Aid

We will be conducting a series of trainings for our Mardi Gras First Aid station. Please see the next page for more details.

2015 Kick-off Party

Join us for our 2015
Kickoff Party at
West End Park
12:00-3:00 PM on
January 24th. See
the next page for
more details.



Newsletter

NEW ORLEANS

IANUARY 2015

So Long 2014, Hello 2015

As we say goodbye 2014, we would like to take a look at all that our MRC has accomplished in 2014. This year we have many things to be proud of and we could not have accomplished these things with out each of our volunteers:

- We met our goal of recruiting 30 new members and welcomed new 49 members in total!
- We developed new outreach materials, which include our hurricane preparedness brochures and various translations.
- We set up seven freeze shelters and one cooling shelter.
- We worked twenty-six outreach events which included hurricane outreach at 17 senior living facilities, giving out flu shots at health fairs and tabling at National conferences.
- Our members attended fifteen trainings such as CPR, shelter training and just-in-time training for Ebola response.

We hope that 2015 brings just as much, if not, even more success. This year NOMRC will continue last year's outreach efforts with senior living facilities and we will look for more ways to increase distribution of our current outreach materials and the number of events we conduct outreach at. Our unit and the local Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) have received a grant to train on how to respond to radiological incidents which we will implement this year. We will also continue to conduct trainings for our members to prepare for emergency responses. Throughout this year, we will be continuing our evaluation of our program to help us identify gaps and constantly improve our efforts.

We hope that you all are prepared for an exciting and eventful year. And once again, thank you for all that you do.







906.5 Hours

Volunteered by NOMRC members in 2014

43.5 Hours

Volunteered in December

MARDI GRAS FIRST AID STATION VOLUNTEERS

NOMRC will be running a first aid station on Canal Street on the Saturday, Sunday and Tuesday of Mardi Gras and is seeking volunteers to assist with this station. To work the first aid station you must be CPR and first aid certified, or be have a medical license (EMT, EMT-P, LPN, RN, MD, etc). Volunteers may also be placed in hospital emergency departments to wait with patients being dropped off by EMS. To volunteer in the hospital you must have be a paramedic, nurse of

If you are in need of CPR/First Aid training, the training will cost \$8 cash and will consist of an online class that takes 1.5 hours to complete and then a 4 hour in class piece that will be offered on

Friday, January 16th from 5-9pm or Saturday, January 17th from 10-2.

If you are interested in taking this class please email Sarah Babcock at NOMRC@nola.gov or call 504-658-2538 ASAP to register.

If you are already certified , First Aid Station Training will be held

Saturday, February 7, 2015 10:30-12 Check out our website for more details!

Sarah Babcock Emergency Preparedness Lead NOMRC Coordinator 504-658-2538 (desk) 504-610-7006 (cell) sababcock@nola.gov

physician.



Cha-Kara Parkman-Wimberly Public Health Associate 504-658-2591 (desk) cpwimberly@nola.gov **NEW ORLEANS**

New NOMRC Members in 2015

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committee? Committee members work to merge the interests of NOMRC volunteers with the needs of the community. This group is responsible for:

- Increasing membership through the development and implementation of recruitment strategies
- Assessing the interests and needs of NOMRC members to develop a yearly training schedule
- Ensuring all activities align with the NOMRC vision and mission
- Maintaining the NOMRC policies and procedures
- Ensuring NOMRC yearly goals are achieved

The Steering Committee meets quarterly to review past activities, membership recruitment and retention, trainings, budgeting, and plans for future initiatives. Any member is welcome to join the steering committee but is asked to be on the committee for 1 calendar year. We will talk more about this group at our 2015 Kick Off Party and have our first meeting in February.

2015 Kickoff Party

We encourage all of our members to come out to our 2015 Kickoff Party!



Location: West End Park Date:

January 24th, 2014

Time: 12:00-3:00pm

Attire:

Comfortable clothing for outdoor activities

Details:

Join us as we host our annual MRC volunteer recognition party. Bring your favorite side dish and come enjoy a BBQ with your fellow volunteers. Please rsvp to by emailing cpwimberly@nola.gov with the dish you will be bringing by 1/16/2014 if you plan to attend.

Our December orientation class was our largest group of new members for the 2014 year! We oriented twelve new MRC volunteers and are excited for them to join our team. We just want to send a huge MRC



welcome to Nicholas Hahn, Nneka Uwaemelu, Yan Du, Alaa Mohammed, Lisa Daigle, Claire Chiou, Elizabeth Cane, Hadley Burroughs, Bibiana Oe, Renad JadKarim, Scott Lea, Lenru Kiki and Sumana Nanjundachar!

WELCOME!

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